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FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2005

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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| Application Type | FILING FEES | | SEARCH FEES | | EXAMINATION FEES | | Fees Paid (\$) |
|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| | Fee (\$) | Small Entity | Fee (\$) | Small Entity | Fee (\$) | Small Entity | |
| Utility | 300 | 150 | 500 | 250 | 200 | 100 | _____ |
| Design | 200 | 100 | 100 | 50 | 130 | 65 | _____ |
| Plant | 200 | 100 | 300 | 150 | 160 | 80 | _____ |
| Reissue | 300 | 150 | 500 | 250 | 600 | 300 | _____ |
| Provisional | 200 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | _____ |

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

| Fee (\$) | Small Entity |
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| 50 | 25 |
| 200 | 100 |
| 360 | 180 |

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

| Total Claims | Extra Claims | Fee (\$) | Fee Paid (\$) | Multiple Dependent Claims |
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Examiner: L. M. Arana

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